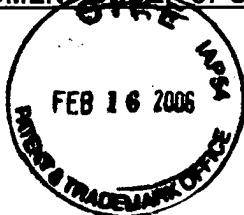


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Leon J. Stanger, et al. : Date: February 10, 2006
 Serial No. 10/038,174 : Group Art Unit: 2663
 Filed: January 3, 2002 :
 For: EXPLOITATION OF NULL PACKETS IN PACKETIZED DIGITAL
 TELEVISION SYSTEMS : Examiner: Min Jung

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111 TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for () month(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ _____

An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ _____

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Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated November 22, 2005. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

No additional fee for claims is required.

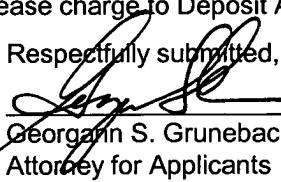
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					\$ 200.00

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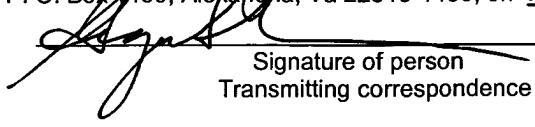

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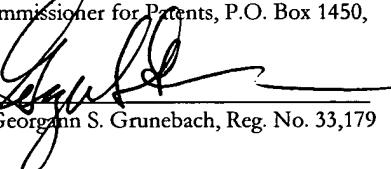
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